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THE BRAVADOS!



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THE COLD BREEZE OF LATE AFTERNOON CUT THROUGH JODHA BEND'S CLOTHING LIKE A KNIFE, THEN WHISLED ON PAST, BLOWING THE ASHEN REMNANTS OF THE BURNED-OUT TOWN BEFORE IT AS IT WENT...



"IF ONLY I HADN'T LEFT YOU - IF ONLY I'D STAYED! BUT NO - I WAS JEROME BEND'S A BUSY MAN WITH A SEARCH TO UNRAVE... AND THAT CATTLE SALE IN DALLAS SEEMED FAR MORE IMPORTANT AT THE TIME."

"TAKE CARE, SWEETHEART! I'LL BE BACK IN A WEEK!"



THE WEEK WENT QUICKLY UNTIL I RETURNED TO THE FLAMING PYRE THAT GAVE HAD BEEN MY HOME.

OH, MY GOD - NOW MELINDA? WHERE ARE YOU?



I FOUND WHAT WAS LEFT OF HER BENEATH THE STILL, BARKING TWIGS... AND I LAID HER TO HER FINAL REST."

GOODBYE, MELINDA - MY LOVE! SLEEP WELL! I'LL FIND THOSE THAT DID THIS TO YOU - I SWEAR IT!



BUT WHERE DO I *START* LOOKING? WHERE DO YOU FIND THE SORT OF ANIMALS WHO WOULD CREATE THE KIND OF *HELL* I WHERE CAN...



CLACK!

WHIA...? HMM-- COULD BE I'VE FOUND A PLACE TO *START*!



IF I CAN JUST KEEP FROM TRIPPING OVER THIS RUBBLE I'LL GET...

THAT'LL BE JUST FAR ENUFF, FRIEND!



WHY DON'T YA JEST HAND OVER THAT PISTOL NICE AND EASY LIKE, 'TIL WE CAN FIND OUT WHO YA ARE!



WHO I AM?! I LIVE IN THIS TOWN!

WHO IN BLAZES ARE YOU?



THE NAME'S **BARBON**! THEY
CALL MY FRIEND
HERE **BARBON**.
BUT WE'RE LOOKIN'
FOR SOME
ANSWERS!

YOU'RE NOT
BARON! IN
THAT FRIEND!
BUT JUST HOW
DO I KNOW
YOU'RE NOT
MIXED UP WITH
THE **BARONS**?
THAT RUINED
THIS TOWN!

IF I **WAS**, FRIEND-- YOU'D BE
DEAD RIGHT NOW! THE **INTUN**
AND I ARE JUST **BURIED**--
WE STOPPED IN THIS TOWN TO
VISIT MY BROTHER JOHN, THE
BLACKSMITH-- BUT WE WERE TOO
LATE! THOSE SCUM LEFT MY
BROTHER HANGING FROM THAT
GALLOWS TREE!



THEY DIDN'T EVEN BOTHER
TO **BURY** HIM! WELL,
WE BURED THEM ALL! BUT
THERE'LL BE **NO MORE**
GRAVES TO **DIG** BEFORE
THOSE RATTLES BURY ME!

THEN WE'RE AFTER THE **SAME** THING-- SOME-
WHERE OUT THERE IS A REST OF **YERS**. I'D
WELCOME YOUR COMPANY IF YOU CARE TO
RIDE WITH ME! WE CAN--



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SHERIFF HAYMOND WAS MY--
MY FATHER! HE SENT ME
TO COLLEGE TO LEARN TO
BE A LADY-- SO'S I
COULD BRING A LITTLE
CULTURE TO THIS TOWN!
AND LOOK WHAT IT GOT
HIM! ONE MANNER
AFTER WHAT THOSE
BANDITS UNDERSTAND...



CONFIDENT--
THAT'S ALL
THEY KNOW!
AND WHEN I
FIND THEM
I'M GONNA
DO A LOT OF
TALKING!



HANG ON,
GIRL! YOU'RE
LIABLE TO
GET YOUR
HEAD BLOWED
OFF-- OR
WHA!

WE ALL HAVE A
SCORE TO SETTLE
WITH THE
VULTURES THAT
SETTLED THIS
TOWN... AND WE
DON'T NEED A
WOMAN GETTIN'
IN THE WAY
WHEN TROUBLE
STARTS! WELL

YOU AIN'T
DOIN' NOBODY
WITHOUT ME!
MY FATHER
TAUGHT ME
HOW TO TAKE
CARE OF
MYSELF! JUST
POINT ME IN
THE RIGHT
DIRECTION AND...



BANDITS!
WHAT
IS IT?

RIDERS-- COMING THIS
WAY-- HARD AND FAST!
IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE
SINGIN' LEAD AT THAT
HORSE IN THE LEAD!



HINDERS HOOFBEATS DRAW CLOSER AND CLOSER
AND FINALLY A HAGGARD RIDER BREAKS INTO THE
CLEARING...

GET OUT OF THE
WAY! THEY'RE
NOT ON MY
TAIL!





GET THE HICK UNDER COVER! THEY'LL BE RIGHT ON TOP OF US IN A COUPLE SECONDS!

WHO'LL BE RIGHT ON TOP OF US? AND WHO'S THE DEVIL ARE YOU?



THE NAME'S DRUM-- JEFFERSON DRUM! BUT SANTANA'S BEN'LL CARVE IT ON MY TOMBSTONE-- IF YOU BOMBERS DON'T LEAD ME A HAND!



WHY SHOULD WE STICK OUR NECKS OUT FOR YOU? WE'VE GOT OUR OWN PROBLEMS TO WORRY A...

HUH?



BUT ARGUE AND ~~DRUM~~ ~~DRUM~~ ~~DRUM~~ RING! WE ~~ANY~~ ~~NOT~~ ~~AND~~ ~~CHANCE~~ ANYMORE! THOSE BOMBERS ARE JUST AS ANXIOUS TO PLANT US AS THEY ARE ~~WOM~~!

GET UNDER COVER, SISTER! THINGS ARE GONNA GET HAIRY!

IN A PIG'S EYE, I WILL! HAND ME A RIFLE AND WATCH OUT FOR YOURSELF! IT'S ABOUT TIME I GOT IN MY LICK!



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THERE'S NO WAY SANTANA'S GONNA LET ME OUT OF THESE HILLS AN'YWAY! BUT AMN GONNA TAKE MOST OF THOSE BUSTARDS WITH ME WHEN I GO!

SANTANA! THE NAME RINGS LIKE WILDFIRE THRU THE BLUNT INDIAN'S BRAIN... SANTANA, THE TWO-LEGGED ANIMAL WHO HAD COST HIM HIS TONGUE. SANTANA-- THE SCOURGE UPON THE EARTH... AND THESE WERE HIS MEN...



GUARACE KNEW THEY HAD TO DIE...

THE WORLD TURNS RED BEFORE HIS ANGUISHED EYES-- AND THE INDIAN BECOMES A KILLING MACHINE...



DURTY APACHE! YOU BETT' KEEL NO MORE OF MY HOMBERS-- NOT ME! OR YOUR DARNED ANKLES!



WHY ARE THESE SIDE- WINDERS TRYIN' SO HARD TO KILL YOU DUHMA? WHAT DID YOU DO TO EARN THAT KIND OF MATE?

DON'T YOU KNOW YET? THESE ARE SOME OF THE POLICATS THAT BURNED DOWN THIS TOWN!

BRRAM BLAM!

"WHEN I WAS
SANTANA,
I SHOULD
HAVE
GUESSED...
BUT WHY
ARE THEY
OUT TO GET
YOU? I
STILL
CAN
PICTURE IT!"

"CAN'T YOU?
IT'S BECAUSE
I WAS
PART OF
THE GANG,
YOU FOOL!
I AGREE
WITH
SANTANA!"



"WHY YOU DUFFY...
I'M GONNA KILL
YA MYSELF AND
SAVE SANTANA
THE TROUBLE!"

"LOOK, IF
YOU'VE GOT
A BEEP...
SAVE IT FOR
LATER! RIGHT
NOW YOU'RE
GONNA NEED **SPARTAN**
BUT YOU CAN GET...
HAME
DISCLOSED!"



"AT THAT SAME MOMENT, ACROSS
THE BULLET-STRENN RUN..."

"ARE YOU ALL
RIGHT, HELLION?"

"I CAN'T COMPLAIN--
AND THE NAME
IS **HELLION!**"



"IT'S ALWAYS BE **HELLION**
TO ME? IT SUITS YOU TO..."



"BUT AS **HELLION** STRUGGLED
WITH HER CAPTION..."



"THE CHARGED WOODEN MISSILE
HURLES THRU THE AIR-- THEN
STOPS ABRUPTLY WITH A
SCREEING THUD."

AARRGGHH!



AND AS THE SMOKE OF THE BATTLE FINALLY SETTLED...

THE INDIANS?
YOU TELL
THE SPEAR!

IT LOOKS LIKE
WE'RE THE ONLY
ONES STANDING!
THERE'LL BE
HUNDREDS OF GRAVES
TO DIG ON THE
HILL!

WHICH LEAVES US JUST ONE
LOOSE END TO CLEAN UP...
YOU? I'M GONNA...

NOW WAIT JUST
A BLASTED
MINUTE-- GIVE
ME A CHANCE
TO EXPLAIN!

OKAY-- YOU'VE
GOT ONE
CHANCE,
FRIEND... AND
IT HAD BETTER
BE GOOD!

EVER I RODE WITH SANTANA-- FOR ABOUT A
YEAR, I SPOKE AGAIN-- BUT MY GUN FOR YEARS--
WHEN I JOINED UP WITH HIM, I HAD NO IDEA
WHAT I WAS GETTING INTO!

SANTANA CALLED UP WITH ME-- AND HE SHOW'D
LIKE DEERHORN, HIS BOYS WORKED ME OVER
TILL I WAS TOO BATTERED UP TO MOVE! IT WAS
THREE DAYS 'FORE I HAD STRENGTH ENOUGH TO
STEAL A HORSE AND GET OUT OF THERE!

SANTANA SENT SOME
OF HIS BOYS TO BRING
ME BACK AGAIN...
AND THE REST
OF THE STORY
YOU KNOW!

ALL OF WHICH MEANS
WHAT?

SANTANA BROUGHT HIS MEN DOWN TO THIS
TOWN AND I WENT ALONG-- UNTIL I SAW
WHAT HE HAD PLANNED! IT TURNED MY
STOMACH! I GOT OUT-- I RAN UNTIL MY
HORSE DIED UNDER ME! MAYBE I'D OF BEEN
BETTER OFF IF I'D DIED WITH IT!

GOT US SOME HEAVY
WEEDS TO DO BEFORE
WE'RE THRU!

EACH OF US BURIED A
PART OF HIMSELF BACK
IN THOSE HILLS-- I
ONLY HOPE WE HAVEN'T
BURIED OUR SOULS!

YOU PEOPLE WANT SANTANA? I CAN LEAD
YOU TO HIM-- TO HIS SECRET SANCTUARY OUT
THERE IN THOSE HILLS! I GOT ME A SCORE
TO SETTLE WITH HIM, TOO!

THEN WHAT ARE
WE WAITIN' FOR?
LET'S GO!

SOMETHING
TELLS ME IT
WOULD BE
WISDOM TO
ARGUE WITH YA
MELLION! GRAB
YOUR GEAR--
AND SADDLE UP!



FIVE LONELY FIGURES RODE AWAY FROM THE
SMOLDERING RUBBLE. SOON, THE RAIN WOULD
COME-- AND WASH IT ALL AWAY.

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THE TOWN THAT FORGOT!

WHAT EVER MADE THIS TOWN GO ALL OUT AGAINST ME? IT WAS ONCE A TOWN, ONE OF THE FEW THAT ACCEPTED ME AS ONE OF THEIR OWN!



IT WAS LOWLY LIVING—RISING AND SETTING DOWN ARCHES AND BACK-TRAILS, AND WHEN YOU HIT A TOWN, HINDS POLES TURN PALE AT THE SIGHT OF YOU! THAT'S WHY BILLY NEVADA MADE SURE TO DROP BY AT GLESTER AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR.



THERE IT IS...GLASTER, THE ONE TOWN WHERE I'VE ALWAYS WELCOME!

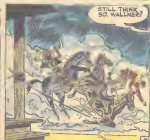
NEVADA SWUNG HIS MOUNT TO A FAST GAITER.

THERE'LL BE FRIENDLY GREETINGS...MAYBE A DUTY WITH DANCING...I'LL GET TO SHUCK OFF THOSE BOOTS...AND SLEEP ON A REAL BED!



BILLY THE KID A





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NEVADA RULLED DOWN THEN AND RUSHED MOBY WALLNER DOWN TO THE GROUND—

SO TO YOUR CROWDS, WALLNER—THEY NEED A MALE NURSE!

YOU'RE NOT FOOLING ME NONE, NEVADA! YOU CAME BACK TONIGHT TO SHOW HOW TOUGH YOU ARE... BUT YOU'RE AFRAID TO OVERPLAY YOUR HAND.



WELL, NEVADA, YOU OVERPLAYED YOUR HAND! I GOT A REPUTATION FOR TOUGHNESS IN THIS TOWN TO WORRY ABOUT TOO.



AS SOON AS I GET TO MY MEN, I'M ORDERING THEM TO GET ON YOUR TRAIL AND STICK TO IT TILL THEY GUN YOU DOWN!



OK, MEN, LET'S—HEY! WHAT'S GOING? WHY WHAT'RE YOU STARRING AT?



AT US, WALLNER... THE PEOPLE OF ULSER... WITH OUR HANDS UP AND OUR HANDS FULL OF GUNS! BILLY PUT STARCH IN OUR BEANS TONIGHT... AND IF YOU FORCE US, WE'LL PUT LEAD IN YOURS!



THERE WAS NO SHOOTING IN ULSER THAT NIGHT. MOBY WALLNER AND HIS MEN KNEW THEY WERE LIKED. THEY KNEW IT SO WELL THAT NOT ONE OF THEM EVEN STOPPED TO PACK HIS BELONGINGS BEFORE GOING OUT...!



AND AS FOR BILLY NEVADA—HE STAYED ON FOR OVER A MONTH. AFTER ALL ULSER WAS ONE TOWN WHERE HE WAS ALWAYS WELCOME!

THE DURANGO KID'S WESTERN DICTIONARY

THIS FEATURE is a western dictionary, to explain for our readers the meaning of the western terms and expressions they may come across in these pages. We will explain about Indians and pioneers, gunfighters and cowboys, horses and cattle.

BUTTE A butte (pronounced "beaut") is a high hill or rocky formation in the shape of a turret, rising from the flat ground. A city in Montana has assumed this name.

COWBOY The cowboy is the subject of stories and poems and songs. He is the guardian of the herd, the brander at roundup time, the fence-builder and de-bader of the ranch. He is an employee of the rancher, and lives in a bunkhouse. He does not make much money, usually forty to eighty dollars a month and food. His most prized possession is a horse and a saddle.

In the early days of the west, 1865 to 1890, he was also a gunman, in most instances. He rode on the trail drives north to Dodge City and Abilene. He fought Indians. Sometimes he went bad and became an outlaw, but more often he saved up his money to buy himself a little spread, and got married and raised children and became a fine citizen of the country.

When barbed wire and fencing came in on the Texas ranches, some of the cowboys rode north into Wyoming and Montana. Herds of cattle were coming into Wyoming then, from Oregon, and trail drives were the usual thing in the north country for about ten years.

His clothing consists of jeans or tight denim pants, with leather "chaps" to be worn where the brush is thick, a shirt or two, a neckerchief that serves as dust-catcher in the trail drives, washrag before breakfast, and protection from the scorching sun. His boots are expensive, coming up to mid-calf. The soles receive little wear for no self-respecting cowboy will walk when he can ride. His spurs may be steel. California spurs with jingling jewels or plain iron or steel job-spurs.

The cowboy hat is the Stetson, or 10-gallon hat. Sometimes, in the northwest, he wears a straight-brimmed, low-crowned hat.

He also carries a slicker against rain while he is out on the range. This slicker is usually yellow so that during a stampede, he can wave it around to get the cattle to milling, or running in a circle.

While his usual sleeping place is the bunkhouse (a large building fitted with bunks, tables and chairs so the cowboy can relax and play cards and eat in his offtime), the cowboy also lives in a bedroll on the open range, when occasion or necessity demands it. There is also the line cabin on the farthest reaches of the ranch, for cowboys whose duties carry them so far from the bunkhouse that they cannot return at night. These line cabins will have canned food, a bed or two and a table and chairs. They will be plain and not fancy, but during a rainstorm or a blizzard, they will be very welcome indeed. Most line cabins have stone chimneys, so the cowboy can make a fire and keep warm and cook his food.

Today, in an era where most cowboys are seen only in movies and comic books, the cowboy still really exists. He works usually for big ranches like the King Ranch, or the JA ranch in the Texas Panhandle. He ropes and rides as he used to do, but he rarely carries a sington, and then only as protection against snakes. He also drives a jeep or a ranch wagon, and goes to town in a car. He reads cowboy books and comics avidly, and is the best customer for the western movie.

They still brand cattle as they used to do in the old days, but now they also inject an inoculating fluid against blackleg and other fatal diseases. He is still the cowboy, but he is also a businessman today.

DYNAMITE This old west miner's tool is a mixture of nitroglycerine and an absorbent such as powdered resin, clay or sawdust. It usually comes in sticks, but it also is available in a powder form, which is used in mines, though some mines prefer the gelatine dynamite.

Shock will not explode dynamite unless it creates a spark that will set it off. Thus it can be dropped, kicked around and crushed without exploding. However, if the dynamite has lain out in the sun and has "thawed," it becomes very unstable and may explode on contact.

The miner "thaws" his dynamite before using it, and then slips a dynamite cap into one end of the stick. These dynamite caps are more dangerous than the dynamite itself, for they are loaded with fulminate of mercury, which explodes violently with any sort of heat or shock.

When dynamite has lain too long in one position, it also becomes dangerous, so that when it is being transported, it is usually turned over every once in a while, usually at least once every week.

ELK This great animal, a member of the deer family, is one of the most magnificent specimens of the North American animal world. The great bull elk is a cousin of the moose. From April to August, these bull elk sharpen their great horns, or tines, against trees, rubbing off the soft tissue called velvet on their horns. During this time, these mighty beasts will charge a human being.

The elk range across the north-west of the United States and into Canada. Today they are protected in wild life sanctuaries. In the old days, before the white man came to America, the elk—the Indians called the elk the wapiti—ran from the eastern part of the United States all the way west into what is now Saskatchewan and British Columbia. Even New York, Pennsylvania and Virginia had their herds.

The bull elk stands about five feet high at the shoulder and weighs one thousand pounds. It is the second largest animal in North America in the wild state, the moose alone being larger. The cow weighs about six hundred pounds and is smaller than the male.

The antlers are wide and long, the largest ever recorded being fully five feet across!

These elk, or wapiti, eat grass, leaves, small plants. They live in the mountains during the summer, but come down into the valley regions during winter time. When a herd of elk suspects a human is hunting them, they make a bell-like sound. If the herd leader gives a coughing bark,

they race off out of possible danger.

The bull elk has a dark mane as well as a great spread of antlers, with a golden coat of hair. The cry of the bull elk in anger is called a "bugle." Emitting this bugling cry, male elk often fight each other during the mating season.

FLY The fly is that stretch of canvas that forms a roof from the chuck wagon to the wood pile while the trail crew is out on roundup. It is set on poles. Under the protection of this "fly"—it affords shade from the hot sun and keeps out the rain during a cloudburst—the cook prepares his meals.

The "hoodlum," a man who does odd chores around the chuck wagon, puts his pile of twigs and firewood under a corner of the fly, to keep it dry.

GUNS The gun is the one sure feature of every story, comic and movie about the west. Usually the word, gun, means a hand-gun, a revolver or shotgun. One of the first of the cartridge revolvers was made by Smith and Wesson in 1833. The most famous of all these revolvers was the Colt Peace-maker, a .45 calibre hand-gun used by famous gunfighters and law men. Before the Peace-maker became so popular, the Navy Colt had its day.

In 1835 Samuel Colt gave the world the weapon which has ever since borne his name. While on a trip to India, he had whittled out a wooden model of his gun. Then when he patented his revolver in London and Paris, he returned to the United States and set up his factory in Paterson, New Jersey. By 1837, United States troops were carrying Colt revolvers against the Seminoles, during that war in Florida. Samuel Colt sold his guns to the Texas Rangers, featuring the newly revised Walker Colt. Then followed the frontier model.

Other revolvers that shot themselves a place in our history were the Aston .54 calibre percussion-lock pistol, used by the Army and the Navy in the Civil War, the derringer, which was the gun used by the western gamblers and was carried in a shoulder holster, and the Remington .44, the gun used by the bandit Jesse James.

We have thus far considered only the revolver as part of the story on Guns. In the next issue, we will take up the rifle, so that, with your Durango Dictionary, you will have a complete file on the weapons used by the badmen and the law men of the old west.

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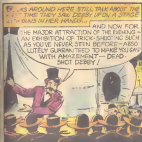


THIS WAS ONE TIME THE DURANGO KID'S FRIENDS FROZE WITH HORROR WHEN THEY SAW HIM LEAP DOWN OUT OF THE NIGHT/ FOR THEY KNEW HE WAS COVERED BY THE NEVER-MISS GUNS OF

DEAD-SHOT DEBBY!

7. AS AROUND HERE STILL TALK ABOUT THE
- 1967 TIME THEY SAW DEBBY UPON A STAGE
- 1968 DANCING WITH MONDO -

AND NOW FOR
THE MAJOR ATTRACTION OF THE FIRMING—
AN EXHIBITION OF TRICK-SHOOTING SUCH
AS YOU'VE NEVER SEEN BEFORE—ABSOLUTELY
GUARANTEED TO MAKE YOU SAY
WITH AMAZEMENT—DEAD.
SHOT DERRY!



WALL,
ALL THE—
IT'S A
BIG-MALE

WHAT'S
THEY TALK-
ING ABOUT?
A BARR
DOOR?



BUT THEN DEBBIE BEGAN SQUEEZING TRIGGER...



AND THEN, AS THE CLIMAX OF THE ACT-

YOU'VE ALL CHECKED THE BLIND-FOLD, SO YOU KNOW THE LITTLE LADY CAN'T SEE THROUGH IT! NOW KEEP YOUR EYES FIXED ON THE BOARD DOWN THERE, FOLKS...!



AFTER THE SHOW-

I'M FROM THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER, MA'AM. MIND TELLING ME WHERE YOU LEARNED HOW TO HANDLE FIREARMS...?

MY DAD, JEFF STONE, TAUGHT ME. YOU MUST'VE HEARD OF HIM. UP TILL THE DAY HE DIED, DAD WAS THE BRAVEST, FASTEST - SHOOTING SHERIFF IN THE WHOLE WEST!



LATER-

WHY'D YOU THINK I'DER HWIN MIRE POSE AS A REPORTER, BOSS?

IF WE COULD GET TRET GAL TO TOTE HER GUNS FOR OUR GANG, THAT'D BE NO STOPPIN' US! AN' I THINK I KNOW JST HOW WE'RE GONNA GET HER...



AFTER
HAT,
FOUR
MONTHS
PASSED
AND
THEN
ONE
MORN'G

JEAN - THAT SHE IS / THUH SHOW IS
CLOSED FER THUH NIGH, AN SHE S OUT
FER A RIDE BEFORE HITTIN' THUH
HAY / GIT MOVING, YUH KNOW
WHUT TO DO ?



HEY!

SORRY, MAH! THIS HUNT S
PLUM CRISPY!



LUCKY I DIDN'T - WH-
-AT'S THAT GUN
FOR ?



TO MAKE
SURE YUH COME
ALONG PEACEABLE
LIKE / THUH BOSS
WANTS TUH TALK
TO YUH..!



Y MAH! YUH A PAIR
-S- TION, DEBBY!
JEFF STONE FER THIS
HERE RANG, AN TELL
PLUT YUH IN FER A
GOOD SHARE OF
-S- SWAG!



YOU MUST BE
LOCO TO THINK I'D
EVER RIDE WITH BAD-
HATS / DON'T YUH KNOW
WHO I AM ? - SWEET
JEFF STONE S
DAUGHTER!

SURE, I KNOW / AN THAT S
EXACTLY WHY I'M SURE
YUH'LL WORK WITH US,
DEBBY! TAKE A GOOD
LOOK AT THIS LETTER,
YUH EVER SEE THIS
WRITIN' BEFORE ?



IT'S DADS!
N NOBODY
ELSE
EVER
WROTE
THAT
WAY!

THAT S RIGHT!
AN IT S A FULL ON
FRONTED FER ME AN
MY GANG WHEN WE
WAS OPERATIN' IN
HIS TERRITORY! IT S
ABOUT TIME YUH FOUND
OUT THET YORE PAPA
WASNT THUH FINE
UPSTANDIN' HONER!
YUH TOOK HIM FER,
DEBBY..!



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TIME KEPT PASSING, WITH DERRY HAVING HERSELF MORE FOR EVERY SHOT SHE SQUEEZED OFF.

CAN'T STOP... CAN'T LET THE WORLD KNOW ABOUT DAD!

DOOP

BUT IT COULDN'T GO ON FOREVER! UP TILL NOW THE WEST'S MOST FEARED LAW-MAN HAD BEEN NOTHING A HISSON FOR JUSTICE, BUT NOW HE WAS BACK! AND ON THE GANG'S VERY NEXT JOB—

NEED!

THU DURANGO KID!

HOW DOES IT FEEL TO BE ON THE RECEIVING-END FOR A CHANGE?

SURE! HUH, DERRY! SHOOT, OR EVERYBODY'S GONNA FIND OUT ABOUT YOUR PRANK!

COOP!

DURANGO HAD THEM LINED UP AND WAS CLEARING LEATHER TO TAKE THEM IN BROWN—

HEY!

CRACK!

MY HAND IS YET WILL NEVER PULL US NIMBLE, CAN'T IN, DURANGO! WE'LL PICK UP MY OUTSHOOT YUH EVERY TIME!

LATER—

YUH SHOULDN'T HAVE SAGGED HIM, BOSS! DURANGO'S COMIN' AFTER US!

GOOD! HEAD FOR THEN LEE BARN! WE'LL SET UP A TRAP FOR HIM THERE THAT HE'LL NEVER GET OUT OF!

EVERYBODY JUMP OFF! LET THU HORSES RIDE ON THROUGH! DURANGO WILL FOLLOW THEIR TRACKS.—AN' WE'LL PERCOLATE HIM FROM UP HYAR!

SOON— THE TRAIL'S CLEAR—THEY
HEADED RIGHT INTO THE
LAND! HMM—THAT'S GOOD!

WHEN I ROLLED OVER JUST IN TIME!
LUCKY I SPOTTED THE HOOF-MARKS
GETTING SHALLOWER! ONLY REASON
FOR THAT COULDN'T BEEN THE RIDERS
JUMPING OFF TO SET UP AN
AMBUSH!

THE ONES WHO FIRED ARE
DUCKING BEHIND THE RIDGE...
BUT THEY'VE SENT OTHERS
TO BLOCK OFF THE FAR END
OF THE RAVINE! I'M TRAPPED
FOR GOOD NOW!



THERE'S NO PLACE
DOWN THERE FOR DURING
THE COVER/ALL WE
GOT TO DO NOW IS STICK
TO THE PLAN OVER THERE
AND SHOOT BLIND!
DON'T STAND
A CHANCE—!

YOU CAN'T!
YOU PROMISED
THERE'D BE
NO KILLING
LONG AS I
WAS
AROUND!

GRAB THAT SHE-CAT AN' TAKE HER GUNS!... I
KIN SEE NOW, DERBY, YUH'LL NEVER BE A BADMAN AT
HEART! I AIN'T A MAN OUTSIDE THAT LAW BIT ROBERT
GIVE HIS EYEBEETH TO GIT DURANGO! TOO BAD DERBY—
CAUSE THIS MEANS THAT AFTER WE'RE THROUGH
WITH HIM, WE'LL HAVE TO TEND TO YOU! /



DURANGO KNOWS HE'S LICKED / SO
HE'S GIVIN HIS MOUNT A DANCE TO
GET AWAY WHILE HE MUST BE LAYIN
IN THIN SHADOWS 'HOLD FIRE!
THAT HORSE IS WORTH IT SWIFT
IN GOLD-DUST!



AS SOON
AS RANGER
HAD CLEARED
THE NARROW
RAVINE—



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"THE DYNAMITERS!"



THE SOUND OF FOOTSTEPS IN THE DYNAMITE TUNNEL OF THE SILVER END HAD BEEN HEARD. CARRINGTON ROUSSED THE SLEEPING CHIEF OF JOE LAWSON, CHIEF OF THE TOWN, AS HE WAS ALREADY HIS ROUNDS...

WHO'S THERE?
COME OUT OR
I'LL SHOOT!

HEY!
EASY! IT'S
ONLY ME—
SUCK TRAIL!



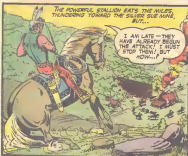
I WAS ONLY
CHECKIN' TA
SEE HOW MUCH
DYNAMITE WAS
LEFT.

I'VE TOLD YA
MOREN ONCE
TA STAY OUTA
THE DYNAMITE
SHED. NOW
GIT!



STRAIGHT ARROW #106





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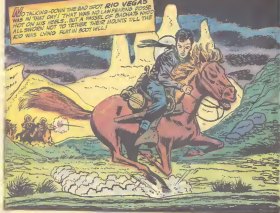


TWO MINUTES LATER...



THE TWO GUNS OF RIO VEGAS!

THE KID TAKING DOWN THE BAD GUY RIO VEGAS WAS IN TROUBLE! THAT WAS NO LAUREL AND HARDY HORSE HOT ON HIS HEELS... BUT A HAZEL OF BADGERS WERE ALL SWORN NOT TO TETHER THEIR MOUNTS TILL THE KID WAS LYING FLAT IN BOOTH HILLS!



LOCAL FOR A TIME LIKE WED SPANNED THEM OFF... BUT THIS MAN NEW TERRITORY FOR THE KID AND SUREN... LIKE...



BILLY THE KID

IT WAS CHRISTIAN HONK, AND THUNDERFAST!



HE MADE IT! AND NOW HE BEGAN WORKING HIS WAY ACROSS, HAND OVER HAND...



SO HAPPENED THE ROCK-LIPON THE JUMP SIDE OF THE GASH WAS SHARPER THAN RIO HAD RECKONED.



NOT THEN A FEW MINUTES LATER WHEN HE SHOWED UP AT THE CHAIN'S END...



THIS MORNING TIME HONK, AT THE BOTTOM OF THE GASH...



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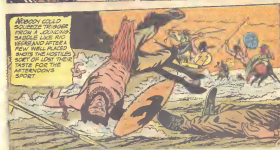
SO THEY WENT ON TOGETHER...
GEORGE WINSTON AND HIS HOR-
DING RIDE ON THE HORN-
HORN AND RIDE RIDING THE
FLANK GUINED BY HIS HORSEMAN



THIS WAS HOSTILE OR TERRIBLE
THEY WERE RIDING THROUGH...
AND SUDDEEN-LIKE...



GRAB THOSE REINS AND
KEEP ROLLING RAIN—I'LL
TAKE CARE OF GEORGE!





SO THEY EDGED ON... AND NOW THEY WERE COMING CLOSE TO HANKEYE JUNCTION...



A SHORT TIME LATER IN TOWN...



HE WASN'T THAT NAUSE
BROUSE RUSH ASIDE HIS
UNTILTED DRINK, HIT SABLE,
AND RALLIED BACK TO THE
WAGON.



HE'D REJECTED HIS FRIENDSHIP
THE RAN JAY MAN WOULD SHEET
HIS BROTHERS! BUT THEN...



GEORGE...
WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
NOW?
NO TIME TO EXPLAIN.
EITHER TO YOU, WANTED
OR TO KID! WE'VE
GOT TO HITCH UP AND
HIT OUT OF HERE
FAST!



WH- WHO ARE
THOSE MEN
RIDING AFTER
US, GEORGE?

THEY'RE BADKATS... AND IT'S
RID THEY'RE AFTER!
HE'LL BE A GONER FOR
SURE IF THEY EVER
HEAD US OFF!



SO THAT'S WHAT
YOU'RE DOING...
SAVING HIM ONLY
SO HE'LL BE
YOURS TO TURN
IN FOR A REWARD!

NO! HE WONT TO
HELP... THAT'S ALL!
WHEN I HEARD THOSE
BADKATS TALKING IT
CAME TO ME IN A
FLASH... I CAN'T DO
HARM TO KID!
IT'S ALMOST LIKE I'VE
BEGUN BELIEVING THE
BROTHER BUSINESS
MYSELF!



SO BAD... THE LEAD HORSE HAD TO STEP INTO
A GORNER HOLE JUST THEN!



WE KNOW YOU HAVE RID IN THERE! YOU
GONNA TO TURN HIM OVER... OR DO WE HAVE TO
GUN YOU BOTH DOWN AND TAKE
HIM OURSELVES?





ALWAYS KNEW THAT SOFT-STEAK IN YOUR HIDE WOULD MEAN YOUR END SOME DAY, RIO! NOBODY CAN HELP YOU NOW!



BUT THAT'S WHERE THE BADGAT WAS MEANT! FOR ALL THESE DAYS EVER SINCE THE FALL INTO THE CHAIN, RIO'S FAITHFUL FOL MOUNT HAD BEEN SEARCHING FOR HIM! AND NOW...



HIS GUN... HE DROPPED HIS GUN SCRAWLING AWAY FROM MY HORSE.



LOOKS LIKE MY HAND IS FULL AGAIN! NOW START DROPPING YOUR SHOOTING IRONS... FAST!



CATHERINE:

I... I WANT YOU TO KNOW, RIO! FOR A WHILE I WAS THINKING OF TURNING YOU IN...

BUT YOU COULDN'T GO THROUGH WITH IT, GEORGE... THAT'S THE BEST THING



THAT WE'LL EVER SEE HIM AGAIN, GEORGE!

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